

## UNIVERSITY OF NEW MEXICO DEPARTMENT OF BIOLOGY UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT SCHOLARSHIPS

All scholarships are good for one year from time of award (e.g., until April 3, 2021). Note that funds will not be released until *after* the awardee has written a thank you note to the donor. While we automatically consider students for all relevant scholarships, you can facilitate the evaluation process by reviewing eligibility requirements and indicating the most appropriate scholarships. Your completed application must be submitted to [bioschol@unm.edu](mailto:bioschol@unm.edu) no later than **Monday, 2 March 2020 at 5:00 pm**.

Detailed description of scholarships:

### 1. THE DR. WILLIAM JONES & DR. SIU WONG BIOLOGY URGENT NEEDS ENDOWED FUND

**Rationale:** This scholarship is designed to support undergraduate or graduate students in good academic standing with a declared major of Biology.

**Stipend:** Two awards are available, up to \$1,200.

**Eligibility:** Biology major, UNM undergraduate or graduate student, undergraduates must be Pell Grant-eligible, graduate students must be primarily supported by a UNM teaching assistantship.

### 2. THE JOSEPH GAUDIN SCHOLARSHIP

**Rationale:** This scholarship supports undergraduate or graduate students pursuing research in any area of mammalogy.

**Stipend:** Several awards may be available for graduate students and undergraduates. Award amounts are variable and typically range between \$500-\$3,000 each.

**Eligibility:** Biology major, UNM undergraduate or graduate student, demonstrated financial need, proven academic and research record. Preference will be given to students interested in studying mammals; especially the *Felidae* (cats). This scholarship can be received multiple times.

### 3. THE ROSALIE DOOLITTLE (BOTANY) MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

**Rationale:** This scholarship supports an undergraduate student in pursuit of a degree in Biology with a focus in Botany.

**Stipend:** Scholarships range from \$500-1100 per student per fiscal year.

**Eligibility:** Biology major, UNM undergraduate student in good standing with a proven academic and research record. Award will be based on scientific excellence.

### 4. THE ROSEMARY MILLER NÉE GONZALEZ SCHOLARSHIP

**Rationale:** This scholarship supports Biology undergraduate majors with a demonstrated interest and/or course of study emphasizing microbiology.

**Stipend:** One scholarship, amount varies but typically up to \$1,500.

**Eligibility:** Biology major, UNM undergraduate student in good standing with a minimum 3.5 GPA. The award is intended to encourage the selected student, with a demonstrated interest and/or course of study emphasizing microbiology, to complete the requirements leading to an undergraduate degree in Biology. Recipients of this scholarship must also be available to meet with donor upon request.

## 5. THE DONALD CAUGHRAN ENDOWED MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP IN BIOLOGY

**Rationale:** This scholarship supports research by an undergraduate or graduate student in any Biology sub-discipline.

**Stipend:** One award is available, up to ~\$3,000.

**Eligibility:** This scholarship is available to students working on a degree program in the Department of Biology. The award is based primarily a student's demonstrated need for funding to continue his/her progress toward a degree, but scholastic ability and research potential are also important considerations in the selection process.

## 6. THE THELMA EVANS TRUST SCHOLARSHIP (VETERINARY MEDICINE)

**Rationale:** The scholarship is to support an undergraduate student in pursuit of a degree in Veterinary Medicine.

**Stipend:** Scholarships range up to \$4,000 per student per fiscal year.

**Eligibility:** UNM sophomores/juniors who will attain Junior/Senior status in Fall 2019 and who are preparing for application to Colleges of Veterinary Medicine upon graduation. Selection of awardees is based on demonstrated financial need, scholastic ability, professional development and the applicant's philosophy of veterinary medicine. Awards may only be used only for tuition, books and related fees.

**Special Instructions.** *The applicant must contact Dr. Bruce Hofkin ([brunoh@unm.edu](mailto:brunoh@unm.edu)) to obtain current instructions and a statement of the Evans Trust Philosophy. Please note that this scholarship requires TWO letters of recommendation, at least one of which must come from a veterinarian. Application materials must also include a statement regarding the applicant's philosophy of veterinary medicine and how it compares to the philosophy of the Evans Trust.*

## 7. THE NEW MEXICO VETERINARY ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP (VETERINARY MEDICINE)

**Rationale:** The scholarship is to support an undergraduate student who plans on pursuing a career in Veterinary Medicine.

**Stipend:** Number and amount of awards vary annually.

**Eligibility:** Restricted to undergraduate students who indicate an intention to pursue a career in Veterinary Medicine; must maintain a minimum GPA of 3.25 and demonstrate financial need for scholarship support

## 8. THE ELEONOR HARVEY TROTTER AWARD FOR AMERICAN INDIAN SCHOLARS IN BIOLOGY

**Rationale:** This scholarship is to support undergraduate or graduate American Indian students in making progress towards earning their degree.

**Stipend:** The awards will be made as needs arise and as funds are available.

**Eligibility:** Biology major, UNM undergraduate or graduate student, demonstrated financial need, and be enrolled member of a Federally-recognized American Indian Tribe or have a Certificate of Indian Blood.

## 9. THE RICHARD B. FORBES CONSERVATION BIOLOGY FUND

**Rationale:** This scholarship is to support undergraduate or graduate biology students conducting research to advance conservation biology

**Stipend:** The awards will be made as funds are available.

**Eligibility:** Biology major, UNM undergraduate or graduate student conducting conservation biology research.

## Checklist for complete application

(This page is for the student and is NOT to be included in the submitted application.)

**Note: Complete applications must be submitted as a single PDF file, using naming convention “U\_lastname\_initial.pdf”.** For example, “F Mercury” would submit a file entitled: U\_Mercury\_F.pdf). Email files to bioschol@unm.edu **Failure to properly name and format your submission may result in your application not being reviewed.**

\_\_\_ **Application Form:** Students must indicate with an “X” on the first page all scholarships for which they are eligible.

\_\_\_ **Academic Transcript(s):** An unofficial copy is acceptable.

\_\_\_ **Personal Statement:** Maximum of 2-pages, one-inch margins, Times New Roman, 11-point font or larger. This statement should express your educational and career goals, personal philosophy, research project (if applicable), and motivation for applying for a Biology Department Scholarship.

\_\_\_ **Curriculum Vitae:** Maximum of 2-pages. Include the following information as required:

- a) Professional Preparation – Including undergraduate institution and degree(s) earned, graduate institution and degree(s) awarded (if any), and the dates that you have been at UNM with the anticipated date of your final degree.
- b) Biology Related Work Experience - Research-related jobs, internships, and other experience.
- c) Peer Reviewed Publications - Include only published and ‘in press’ articles, and give the complete citation.
- d) Presentations at Professional Meetings - List selected conference presentations.
- e) Fellowships and Grants - Any scholarships, grants or fellowships you have been awarded, in chronological order, listing the award time period. Include funding agency, award amount, and brief description of research funded.
- f) Honors and Awards - Such as teaching awards, awards for conference presentations, etc.

\_\_\_ **One Academic Reference:** This reference should come from a faculty member or advisor. All submitted letters are confidential and only available to reviewers. Signed letters should be submitted directly to bioschol@unm.edu no later than the scholarship deadline. Only one letter is required for each student. (NOTE: application for the Evans (pre-vet) scholarship requires **two** letters, see instructions)

\_\_\_ **Financial Aid Award Statement:** Please provide your last year’s financial aid award statement. You can obtain a copy from your financial aid advisor in the Student Services Building or you can print this online in myunm.edu.

\_\_\_ **Progress Report:** If you have received a Departmental scholarship or award in the past three years, please provide a one-page progress report detailing how the funds were used to help your career, studies, and/or research. Please also indicate how receiving additional funds will further your progress.

